

WON'T RUN

John Wanamaker Refuses to Contest for State Treasurership.

NOT EAGER FOR OFFICE

But He Contends That There Must Be Reform in State.

In a letter to the committee which invited him to be their standard bearer the Philadelphia merchant calls attention to his own modesty, informs the legislature what to do and coincides with a few remarks in the nature of admonition.

Philadelphia, April 12.—John Wanamaker this afternoon declined to be a candidate for state treasurer of Pennsylvania. His letter of declination to the committee of the National Republican League of Business Men, which urged him to stand for the office, follows: "I have duly considered the proposition contained in your complimentary letter, and have deferred reply, as requested, in order to listen to the arguments of citizens and committees from various parts of the state. In consultation with these gentlemen, among whom have been prominent members of the state senate and house of representatives, the conclusion has been reached, after full inquiry, that the present legislature will enact a law providing for the payment of interest upon state deposits. If this is done the most vicious evils in the conduct of the state treasury will be corrected. Had the situation been different, I might have concluded to comply with your request to become a candidate for the office in question. Under existing conditions, however, I am constrained to say that I cannot see my way clear to change my decision from what I gave out in January last when I stated that I did not wish to be a candidate for office.

UNSELFISH MAN: "When I entered into the contest for the vacancy arising in the United States senate, it was as much in the soldier spirit as from any personal motives. There seemed to be then no other way to fight on the side of the people, and the opportunity attracted me to try to render a kind of service to the state and nation that the hard times in business have been loudly calling for.

"While you are good enough to invite me again to be your standard bearer, and while I appreciate the honor of such a call from an organization as important as the National Republican League of Business Men, I prefer to march in the ranks and make my best endeavors to assist the growing movement towards bettering the government of our state. I believe I can do this best without seeking for or holding public office. I concede the importance of reorganizing the system and methods of the state treasury, and you have received in soliciting a public sentiment against existing evils, and in the pending reform measure originating with and pressed by the Hon. C. C. Kauffman in the senate and the Hon. W. F. Stewart in the house.

SOME ADVICE: "This legislation should be promptly enacted, though I believe a higher rate of interest might be safely fixed. At least there should be no harm in permitting the state treasurer to charge 2 1/2 per cent. when farmers and traders are compelled to pay 5 and 6 per cent., and secure the same by mortgage or other collateral. In August, 1895, the state treasurer had over nine millions of dollars of the people's money on deposit in the banks of the state, which were lending the same to their customers and charging therefor as high as 9 per cent., while the state got nothing but the groans of the counties and charitable institutions suffering for school moneys and unpaid appropriations.

"It is seldom that the state treasurer carries a balance of less than three to five millions. On all this vast sum the state has never received a penny of interest, in spite of the fact that every other state in the union, for years, has been receiving interest on state moneys. If Pennsylvania had received the state treasurer to charge 2 1/2 per cent. since the war, she could have built a state north and south, east and west, or opened up, by modern roads, large sections of the state. The interest alone during the next few years will pay all the cost of a capital building in every way worthy and adequate for the necessities of the state.

WANTS REFORM: "The present system of electing a state treasurer to conduct the state treasury as an adjunct to the state committee of the Republican party is fraught with incalculable evil. Favorable banks and trust companies, sometimes specially organized and offered, received deposits and control state moneys far out of proportion to capital paid in, and are not subject to any supervision of investments except under the same power that elects the state treasurer.

"Does any one really believe that the recipients of these extraordinary favors pay nothing for the use of all this money, year in and year out? Could anything but a powerful political machine holding the treasurer under control, deprive the public schools and suffering charities of the moneys due them which are lying idle for somebody's benefit in the favorite depositories?"

to pay out what the people consented to be taxed for, the political machine would be crippled and therefore, as the local interests have no power except to protest, they must bear the imposition so unjustly laid upon them. From all over the state there comes a revolt against this practice. It is high time to call a halt, and change from the reprehensible manipulation of state treasury funds and, at the same time, it will be well to inquire into the details of receipts and publish a statement of sources of revenue, giving amount paid by each corporation and times of payment.

READY TO HELP: "If the state treasury be conducted in the open sight of all the people it may be possible to lower the taxation. Any movement that will select men for state treasurer and auditor general who will own themselves and act for the good of the state by getting into the treasury all the money rightly due the state under the laws, and getting it out again in a few days, and giving its receipt to those to whom it belongs by law, and securing the largest interest commensurate with safety of unneeded balances, will have all the support and co-operation I can command."

FOR THE FUTURE: "It is very greatly to be hoped that your organization will be extended into every city and borough of the commonwealth. Aside from the significance of this year's election—when, besides a state treasurer, an auditor general and a comptroller are to be elected—the fact that within a year we will be in the midst of a campaign for governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of internal affairs, congressmen and members of the legislature, and that the regular session next year will have a United States senator to elect. I trust that every proper effort will be put forth from this time forward in order that the importance of the issues involved in the election of this year and of the next may be fully set forth before the people of the commonwealth, to the end that a government of the people may supplant the present government of the bosses."

BOLD BANK ROBBERY.

Cashier Cobb, of Yonkers, Is Held Up and Relieved of \$4,000 in Broad Daylight by Two Men.

Yonkers, N. Y., April 12.—Shortly after noon today two men entered the Yonkers Savings bank, on Getty Square, in the heart of town, held up Lyman Cobb, the aged cashier, stole \$4,000 and escaped. About 12:15 o'clock, when no one was to be seen but the cashier and Treasurer Williams, the latter in an inner room, a young man, cleanly shaven and dressed in a light suit of clothes, entered and engaged Cashier Cobb in conversation, telling him to come to the next door, where there would make a large deposit. The young man turned to go, and the cashier returned to his desk, under which he noticed something black, which he at first thought was a dog. The black object sprang up and moved toward the cash drawer. The startled cashier turned to the window, expecting assistance from the young man with whom he had been talking. The young man, however, covered the cashier's eyes and the next moment the cashier's head while he transferred a package of bills to his pockets, dropping a \$500 package in his haste.

With his revolver still covering the cashier the man on the inside backed slowly to the door, opened it and passed out, walked through the narrow passage in front of the executive office door and around to his companion. The men hurried out of the door, leaving Mr. Cobb covered with their revolvers to the last.

RUSH OF THE FLOOD.

The Levees Give Way South of Vicksburg. Memphis, Tenn., April 12.—The mighty sweep of the waters south of Vicksburg, at last had its effect upon the lower levees and tonight a telegram from Tallulah, La., reports that the levee which protects Davis Island has given way and the island in all probability will be flooded. Twenty-five hundred people inhabit Davis Island, which consists of about five thousand acres of land. The place is situated in Warren county, Mississippi. Throughout the upper Delta, the flood situation shows little change since last reports. The work of government relief has been actively inaugurated.

New Line of Ships for Canada.

London, April 12.—In the common the secretary of state for the colonies, Mr. Chamberlain announced that contracts had been signed between Canada and the Paterons of Newcastle, for a fast steamship service between Canada and Great Britain.

Gen. Harrison May Not Preside.

Indianapolis, Ind., April 12.—General Harrison authorized the statement that he has not as yet consented to act as moderator of the general assembly of the Presbyterian church, which will meet at Winona, this state, May 28.

He Killed Two Men.

Perry, Oklahoma, April 12.—At Sweeney postoffice, in the Kickapoo reservation, Billy Isabell, cattleman, shot and killed George Fox and Ben Cox. The men were quarrelling about their wives.

Confidence in the Government.

Rome, April 12.—The chamber of deputies today, by a vote of 278 to 132, adopted a resolution expressing confidence in the government.

THE CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS MADE

Bishop Warren Announces the Locations for the Year 1897.

REPORTS OF VARIOUS COMMITTEES

The List of Supernannuated Ministers Continued—The New Class Is Allowed to Vote on the Woman Question—District Missionary Secretaries Are Selected.

Oneonta, N. Y., April 12.—The devotional services were conducted by C. V. Arnold. In the absence of the bishop, Dr. L. L. Sprague presided at the opening session. The committee on music presented its report and it was adopted. The committee on the Episcopal fund also reported.

The case of S. J. Austin was taken up by the national committee. He is requested to locate or take an effective location. The case of E. L. Bennett was called, and he was continued.

J. D. Bloodgood was continued. S. D. Galpin, C. H. Jewell, E. J. Jones, John La Var, W. R. Netherton, J. S. Southworth, J. F. Jones were continued.

Y. C. Smith and E. N. Butts granted supernannuation. W. R. Turner surrendered his parchments and asked to withdraw from the conference and church. Granted. Resolution adopted wishing him god-speed.

J. S. Lewis was changed from effective to supernannuated. The following supernannuated preachers were continued: A. D. Alexander, C. S. Alexander, J. R. Allen, W. W. Andrews, C. V. Arnold, Philip Barlett, H. A. Blanchard, Asa Brooks, A. G. Bloomfield, Thomas Burgess, B. B. Caruth, G. M. Chamberlain, H. E. Clarke, Leonard Cole, Ziba Evans, R. C. Gill, A. F. Harding, Joseph Hartwell, J. W. Hewitt, Richard Hiras, Philip Holbrook, W. J. Judd, William Keatley, S. S. Kennedy, G. W. Leach, A. W. Loomis, G. C. Lyman, J. W. Meigs, P. M. Mott, George Parsons, J. K. Peck, David Personoe, C. L. Rice, R. S. Rose, J. B. Santee, Edgar Shibley, S. G. Stevens, S. M. Stone, Miner Swallow, Cornelius Sweet, W. B. Thomas, C. W. Todd, P. R. Tower, Jonas Underwood, S. E. Walworth, J. L. Wells, S. F. Wright—44.

The class admitted were called and the bishop addressed them and permitted them to vote on the woman question. The conference voted on the constitutional question.

The offering taken by Brother Rawling, amounting to \$75. He was called forward and addressed the conference.

The bishop nominated the board of examiners and the following district missionary secretaries: E. B. Blythe, S. Moore, C. A. Benjamin, J. E. Bone, M. D. Fuller, C. E. Mogg.

NORWICH NEXT YEAR.

S. Moore invited the conference to Norwich next year and the invitation was accepted.

A vote of thanks was extended to the officers of the Delaware and Hudson canal company for reduced fare given to members of the conference. H. H. Hogan returned his parchments and withdrew from the conference and the church. The call for admission was called. The following were admitted: Robert Clark, Alvin J. Neff, Carl Conklin, J. W. Johnson, H. H. Hines, Thomas Miller, T. N. Bailey, Edwin B. Singer, G. G. McChesney.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Bishop Warren called the conference to order and read a scripture lesson. Board of stewards reported. The amount of money given to the supernannuated, clerical, and orphans, \$8,856. On motion the bishop recommended to appoint A. J. Van Cleft secretary of the Preachers' Aid society. G. B. Stone read the report of the temperance committee, in which they strongly advocated the prohibition of the liquor traffic. J. H. Hines reported for the committee on the state of the church. A resolution was offered expressing sympathy with the Armenians and Cretans and was adopted.

THE APPOINTMENTS.

Bishop Warren read conference appointments as follows: BINGHAMTON DISTRICT. L. C. Floyd, P. E. residence, Binghamton, N. Y.; Auburn, Pa. Isaac Jenks; Binghamton, Centenary, J. H. Rice; Binghamton, Centenary, Martin V. Williams; Binghamton, Centenary, J. A. Fankner; Binghamton, High Street, A. D. Decker; Binghamton, High Street, T. F. Hall; Binghamton, Leatherside, H. M. Cryden; Binghamton, Oak Street, C. H. Smith; Binghamton, Tabernacle, E. B. Olmsted; Brooklyn, Pa. G. W. Voort; Dalton, Pa. C. H. Newing; East Bridgewater, Pa. Earnest Colwell; Factoryville, Pa. G. M. Underwood; Great Bend, Pa. J. S. Cromston; Hallstead, Pa. David L. McDonald; Harford, Pa. J. M. Correll; Hawley, James Taylor; Kirkwood, C. P. Tiffany; Lancaster, Pa. C. C. Vrooman; Maitz, H. H. Angel; Montrose, Pa. C. W. Babcock; Newton, Pa. G. C. Jacobs; Nicholson, Pa. George F. Aese; Oakland, Pa. W. R. Cochran; Rush, Pa. Robert McLaure; Springville, Pa. Abraham Schofield; Susquehanna, Pa. W. M. Hiller; Union, J. C. Johnson; Union, J. C. Johnson; Vernal, E. L. Jeffrey; West Nicholson, Pa. L. T. VanCampen; W. G. Ward, professor in Syracuse university, member of the conference; Binghamton, quarterly conference; A. J. VanCleft, corresponding secretary of Preachers' Aid society of Wyoming conference.

CHENANGO DISTRICT.

Rev. H. C. McDermott, P. E., residence, Norwich, N. Y.; Beaver Meadow, S. A. Anderson; Castle Creek, C. M. Olmsted; Chenango Bridge, W. A. Wagner; Chenango Forks, L. D. Palmer; Chocomaug Center, E. P. Eldridge; Coventry, T. J. Henry; Edinboro, R. W. Lowry; Excelsior, A. D. Finch; Garrettsville, D. B. Wilson; Gilbertville, Robert Clark; Greene, T. Harzun; Guilford, H. A. Williams; Lisle, S. H. Wood; Marston, F. D. Hartsock; McDonough, L. D. Meeker; Morris, L. Jennison; Mount Union, W. T. Blair; New Berlin, M. L. Anderson; North Fenton, D. W. Sweatland; North Norwich, A. C. Hoff; Norwich, S. Moore; Oxford, J. H. Littell; Plymouth, W. H. Holton; Preston, A. Clark; Rockdale, G. S. Marvin; Sherburne, [Continued on Page 2]

NEW LAWS FOR NEBRASKA.

Some Interesting Legislation Against Trusts and Other Corporations. Lincoln, Neb., April 12.—The legislature, which adjourned Saturday, served the last two weeks of the session without a day's interruption. Among other legislation enacted bills have been passed to abolish trusts, and state corporations are forbidden to contribute to campaign funds of any political party and deficiency judgments are at least theoretically abolished.

The state board of transportation has practically absolute control over railroads, telegraph, telephone and express companies. Stock yards are under strict regulations and insurance companies are forbidden to combine for any purpose and cannot agree to uniform rates.

SAYS DIVORCE WASN'T PAID FOR.

Sensational Charges Made by Wife of Cattle King in Oklahoma. Perry, O. T., April 12.—Mrs. M. Pauline Herard, wife of J. Virgil Herard, the cattle king of the West, has fled suit here to set aside her husband's divorce decree, granted six months ago. She alleges that she was forced to sign the divorce papers for \$300,000, which she claims she never received.

W. A. MANVILLE DEAD.

Was a Brother of C. R. Manville, Superintendent of D. & H. Road. Special to The Tribune. Carbondale, April 12.—Willis Arthur Manville, soliciting and freight agent at Wilkes-Barre for the Delaware and Hudson company, died suddenly at his home here tonight. He was a brother of C. R. Manville, superintendent of the company.

Mr. Manville had not been in robust health for two months, but his death was not expected. He died of heart failure at 11:30 o'clock. He leaves a wife but no children.

HARRY MEN DEFEATED.

Control of the Executive Committee Wrested from Them. Philadelphia, Pa., April 12.—The control of the Democratic city executive committee was wrested from the Harry men this evening when City Commissioner Thomas F. Ryan was elected chairman by a vote of 19 to 17 for James E. Gorman. Although it had been all along that the vote would be close, the result was a great surprise.

The Harry men were sure of victory, and the national committeeman had used every influence to line the city organization up for Mr. Gorman.

EPIDEMIC OF INSANITY.

People of Chandler, Oklahoma, Lose Their Minds. Perry, O. T., April 12.—News comes from Chandler, Okla., the ill-fated city which was visited by the terrible tornado which wiped out the place, killing 20 and wounding nearly 100 persons, that many of the wounded and some who were not wounded have gone crazy and many of the people of the town show symptoms of insanity. This is especially true among the women.

It is estimated that more than 1,000 cyclone caves are being made throughout the region of Chandler.

WILL USE THE DOLPHIN.

President's Program with Reference to Grant Monument Day. Washington, April 12.—Admiral Buncie, commanding the North Atlantic squadron, came up from Hampton Roads this morning and had a consultation with Secretary Long respecting the proposed disposition of the vessels of the squadron.

The Dolphin has been ordered to New York, where she will serve to transport the president and Secretary Long in their review of the great fleet on Grant monument day.

STAMPEDE TO AVOID DUTIES.

Enormous Imports of Wool and Sugar Block Boston Wharves. Boston, Mass., April 12.—Storage is at a high premium here and it is impossible to secure suitable rooms for the receipt of the freights coming on European steamers, chiefly of wool and sugar.

The receipts of foreign wool breaks all records. Since April 1 the total is about 50,000 bales.

ONE DEMOCRAT WINS.

Assistant U. S. Treasurer Jordan Likely to Be Re-appointed. Washington, April 12.—It is said here by persons who are believed to have knowledge of the matter that Assistant United States Treasurer Jordan, whose term of office will expire in a few days, will be re-appointed by President McKinley.

MONETARY COMMISSIONERS.

Washington, April 12.—The president tonight announced the appointment of Senator Edward G. Wolcott, of Colorado, and ex-Vice President Adlai E. Stevenson, as commissioners to an international monetary conference.

MISSISSIPPI LEVEE BREAKS.

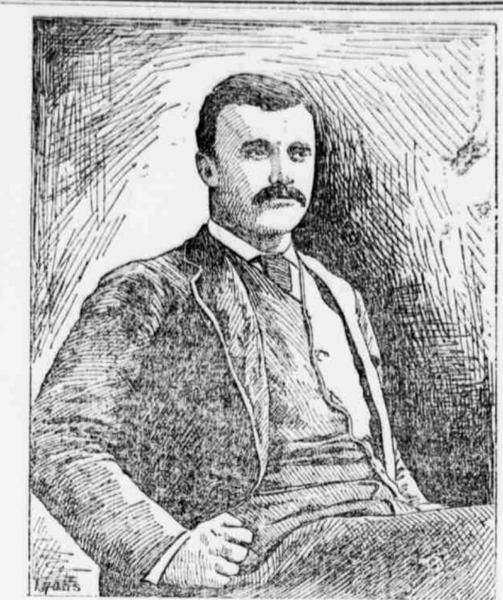
Vicksburg, Miss., April 12.—Tallulah, La., reports levee at Davis Island, this county, broke this evening, opposite Ashwood, La. Twenty-five hundred people live on the island.

HAVANA TO SPEND \$15,000,000.

Bavaria, N. Y., 12.—Michael J. Daly, of Brooklyn, N. Y., has secured an important contract to improve the sanitary condition of Havana. It is said the contract will involve an expenditure of about \$15,000,000.

Voluntarily Came Back to Jail.

Berkeley Springs, W. Va., April 12.—Harry Brown, who brushed past the sheriff the latter was taking him to his supper at the jail here, voluntarily returned.



HON. THEODORE ROOSEVELT, Nominated for Assistant Secretary of the Navy.

EX-QUEEN LIL'S PLANS.

The Former Ruler Wants to Be President of Hawaii—She Is Anxious to Have President Dole Ousted. Washington, April 12.—Former Queen Liliuokalani, of Hawaii, does not desire the re-establishment of a monarchical government or seek her own restoration to the throne. Her mission in this city is to secure from President McKinley interference to the extent that the manner in which the Dole regime was placed in power shall be pronounced illegal, by reason of undue influence on the part of Minister Stevens and the crew of the cruiser Boston, and the ordering of a new election, free from even indirect intimidation.

The former queen believes if the will of the Hawaiians is freely and unobscuredly expressed at such a new election that she would be chosen president and thus placed in control of her former possessions without a return to the monarchy. Her plans have been held before the president in detail, and she is now awaiting a reply as to what action she will take in response to her request.

The true history of Liliuokalani's mission to the United States is now authoritatively made public. She came to this city prior to Mr. McKinley's inauguration in order that no unnecessary time would be wasted in accelerating the consummation of her prophecies. She sought a personal interview with the new president, but a formal reception of the character desired was considered inexpedient. A letter was then written, asking if the president would permit the former queen to submit her plans in writing for his information and guidance. To this communication a note of assent was received.

Subsequently Liliuokalani prepared a thorough resume of her opinions regarding the present and future of Hawaii, and detailing the injustice she had suffered through the interference of United States officials. After reviewing her grievances she outlined the future policy which she desires President McKinley to pursue toward Hawaii.

Liliuokalani obligates herself to abide by the will of the Hawaiian people in the United States, by congressional resolution and otherwise, has established a virtual protectorate over Hawaii. It was not only proper and admissible, but his duty, to declare the formation of the present republican form of government illegal, and direct the holding of an election to adopt a constitution and choose executive officers. She requested the president's intervention to the extent that the election should be free from fraud or intimidation, and that the people be permitted to cast their ballots without fear or favor.

The former queen also submitted, in connection with her proposition, a detailed statement as to the population, conditions and prospects of Hawaii. She argues at length against the statements put forth by the commissioners now here in behalf of annexation. She declares the possibility of a Japanese conquest to be so remote as to be ridiculous. Figures are given to prove that the native population is well in the ascendancy, and cannot be changed by immigration. The assertion is made that it is part of the policy of the present Hawaiian government to invite trouble with Japan in order that annexation with the United States may be hastened. A tabulated statement was also submitted contrasting the present government with her own, to show that the condition of the people was better under the former administration of affairs; that the expenses of maintenance were vastly less, and its stability more certain.

It is the intention of Liliuokalani to remain here until she receives a reply from the president to the communication she submitted.

The general impression in official circles is that the president will decline to take any step having the appearance of interference.

England and Bimetallism. London, April 12.—Answering a question regarding the prospects of the government sending out invitations to a bimetallic conference, Mr. Balfour reiterated in the House of Commons today that there was nothing in the situation which would lead him to suppose that anything could be gained by Great Britain taking the initiative in promoting an international bimetallic conference.

To Hold a Big Medical Congress. Washington, April 12.—The fourth triennial session of the congress of American physicians and surgeons will be held in this city May 4, 5 and 6. The congress will bring together between 600 and 1,000 prominent medical men from all parts of the country and Canada, and possibly some delegates from abroad.

BLAMES ARMENIANS.

Turkish Minister at Washington Says They Are Trying to Set Fire to the Turkish Empire. Washington, April 12.—In the course of an interview with a representative of the Associated Press today, Moustapha Pasha, the Turkish minister, said: "It is true that some trouble has occurred at Tokat, but the dispatches have greatly exaggerated the importance of the affair. Nevertheless, the governor of Tokat, the military commander of that place, the chief of police and several other officials had been removed and placed under arrest as a preliminary step to their trial and punishment for not having been able to avert these troubles."

"The Veil of Sivas," said the minister, "has received formal orders to detect and arrest the perpetrators of the incident, to punish them with the utmost rigor of the law and to prevent a renewal of such regrettable acts. Besides a commission composed of high civil and military officials, both Muslims and Christians, selected from among prominent and impartial persons, has been appointed and sent immediately under the presidency of his excellency, Fason Fahmi Pasha, director of the custom houses of the empire, in order to make an inquiry on the spot and to try and punish the guilty parties in an exemplary manner."

"The Armenian revolutionists," added the Turkish minister, "are now seeking in every way to provoke the disturbance at different points of the empire with a view to increasing the embarrassment of the Turkish government owing to the affairs of Crete and Greece. Consequently all the provincial authorities have been urged to watch day and night that no acts likely to give rise to any disturbing incident among Muslims and Christians may occur."

PAPER FIRMS ASSIGN.

Caused by the Death of M. J. Fitch, the Chicago Paper Dealer. Chicago, April 12.—Owing to the death of M. J. Fitch, the paper dealer, two companies of which he was president, made an assignment today. The names of the companies are the M. J. Fitch Paper company and the American Roll Wrapping Paper company.

The Fitch company is said to have assets of \$75,000, with an equal amount of liabilities. The Roll Paper company, it is claimed, has assets of \$25,000, with liabilities of \$15,000.

RAILROADS GAIN TIME.

Milk Rate Hearing Will Be Open Until Middle of May. Washington, April 12.—The interstate commerce commission has extended until May 15 the time within which certain roads running into New York city were directed to answer complaints relative to milk rates.

The principal defendant roads are the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, Ontario and Western and the Erie.

Greater New York Bill Passed. Albany, N. Y., April 12.—The assembly tonight passed the Greater New York charter bill over Mayor Strong's veto by a vote of 198 to 92.

Passenger Agent Seuil Resigns. Baltimore, April 12.—Charles O. Seuil, general passenger agent of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, has resigned to take effect April 15.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

Weather Indications Today: Fair; Warmer. 1 (General)—John Wanamaker Not Eager for Office. 2 (State)—Harmony to Prevail in Republican Proceedings. 3 (Editorial)—Washington Gossip. 4 (Story)—"Manager of Hearts." 5 (Local)—Dambrosio on Trial for Murder. 6 (Local)—Big Bid for School Bonds. 7 (Local)—Joseph F. Phillips Re-elected City Engineer. 8 (Local)—Anniversary of the R. R. Y. M. C. A. New Assessment Attacked. 9 (Local)—Bide and City Suburban. 10 (Neighboring County Happenings)—Financial and Commercial.

WAR NEWS

Greece and Turkey Tell the Powers Not to Worry.

MERE FRONTIER INCIDENT

Recent Invasion Loses Some of Its Threatening Nature.

Germany, Russia and Austria, It Is Announced, Have Approved of the Arrangements of the Admirals. Turkish Troops Have Smallpox.

Rome, April 12.—It is semi-officially announced that Greece and Turkey have each addressed to the powers statements of a friendly character in regard to the encounters on the Macedonian frontier, which are described as "mere frontier incidents."

Germany, Russia and Austria, it is further announced, have approved of the arrangements of the admirals in command of the foreign fleets in Cretan waters for the blockade of the Piræus.

Larissa, April 12.—4 p. m.—The invaders continue to blockade Balitno. It is reported that Turkish reinforcements are now enroute for Diskata.

The remainder of the insurgents have taken up a strong position in the mountains. The latest details at hand are that the invaders dynamited the Turkish posts opposite Phonica and Berlingia. The troops here were kept standing under arms until 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, as it was feared that the raid would hasten hostilities. There has been an outbreak of smallpox among the Turks, and many deaths are reported at Damascus.

Glassona, April 12.—The Turkish staff officer who was sent to Krania by Edhem Pasha to ascertain definitely with respect to the invasion, reports that the presence of Greek regulars among the invaders has been positively proven, and that there is also good reason to believe that the Greek officers of the regular army were in command. It is reported that the Greeks had fifty-two killed and the Turks two with twelve wounded. The latter belonged to the patrol posted on the edge of the forest, where the Greeks were in hiding. They were picked off by sharpshooters.

CRAZED AT HER WEDDING.

Shrieks in Frenzy Just After the Ring Is Placed on Her Finger. New York, April 12.—A Paterson, N. J., special to the Sun says: Miss Rosa Cohen, a daughter of Barnett Cohen, of Harrison street, and Nathan Bernstein, of New York, were married on March 18 at Institute hall. At the moment the ring was placed on the bride's finger she was seen to sway backward and forward. Then, while every guest was holding aloft a lighted candle, in accordance with a Jewish custom, the bride reeled backward and shrieked in frenzy. She was taken in a coach to the home of her parents.

It is said that the bride still remains in this condition, and that an effort is to be made to have the ceremony annulled.

ESSENCE OF PEPPERMINT.

One Has Paid the Usual Penalty and Another Will Soon Do So. Parkersburg, W. Va., April 12.—Frank Sarvis is dead, and Dick Wolf is lying at the point of death, at their boarding house at Sissonville, Jackson county, as the result of drinking essence of peppermint and lightning hot drops in lieu of whisky.

Each took a big swig of the stuff. Ten minutes later Sarvis was dead, Wolf will die.

HEADS CHOPPED OFF.

Sixty-nine Fourth Class Postmaster-ships Dispensed in One Day. Washington, April 12.—Just sixty-nine appointments of fourth class postmaster-ships were made today. These consisted of thirty-nine to fill vacancies caused by resignations, by removals at the expiration of four years' service and by deaths.

The changes include seventeen in Pennsylvania, but none in the vicinity of Scranton.

NOT AFRAID OF UNCLE SAM.

The Japanese Press Demands the Government to Stand Firm. Yokohama, April 12.—The government of Japan has decided to send two war ships to Hawaii, stopping meanwhile at San Francisco.

The Japanese press is urging the government to take a firm attitude toward the Hawaiian and American governments.

MAJOR BARDWELL APPLIES.

He Wants to Be Collector of Revenue for This District. Washington, April 12.—Among the additional applications for appointment for presidential offices, under the treasury department are the following: E. S. Grein, collector of internal revenue at Lancaster, Pa., and H. W. Bardwell, as collector of internal revenue at Scranton.

The Herald's Weather Forecast. New York, April 12.—In the Middle states and New England today, fair, warmer weather and light to fresh southerly and westerly winds will prevail, followed by some cloudiness on the seaboard in this section tonight, and by light rain in the western and lake districts. On Wednesday, in both of these sections, fair to partly cloudy weather, warmer and southerly winds will prevail, with rain in the lake districts, possibly followed by rain on the coast. On Thursday, fair to partly cloudy weather, with continued mild temperature.